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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kazunari ERA

Group Art Unit: 2624

Application No.: 10/525,033 ✓

Examiner: W. TUCKER

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Docket No.: 122510

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GENERATING A STEREOGRAPHIC IMAGE

APPLICANT'S SEPARATE RECORD
OF THE SUBSTANCE OF PERSONAL INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant appreciates the courtesies shown to Applicant's representative by Examiner Tucker at the August 26, 2008 personal interview. Applicant's Separates Record of the Substance of the Personal Interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

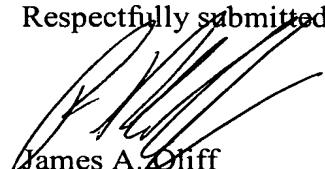
During the personal interview, Applicant traversed the rejection of independent claims 18, 29 and 34 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Murata (U.S. Patent No. 6,445,833). Applicant's arguments paralleled the arguments asserted in the Amendment filed August 8, 2008.

As agreed during the personal interview, Murata does not teach or suggest "a calculating step of calculating Z-values of each pixel based on only image data for that pixel, the pixels forming an image, each Z-value being assigned to a pixel, and each Z-value representing a depth of an object corresponding to the pixel" as recited in independent claim 18, and similarly recited in independent claims 29 and 34.

Therefore, for at least these reasons, independent claims 18, 29 and 34, and claims 19-28 and 30-33, which variously depend therefrom, are patentable over Murata. Further, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 18-34 are in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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